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AMENDMENTS IN THE CLAIMS

1- 35. (Cancelled)

36. (Currently Amended) A method for promoting healing of a wound associated with a patient's body comprising:

positioning an ultrasonic transducer having an annularly-shaped operative surface in the vicinity of the wound;

inserting a reflecting medium into the patient's body adjacent to the wound;
and

emitting ultrasonic waves from the operative surface, such that at least some of the ultrasonic waves propagate through tissue to contact the wound, and at least some of the emitted ultrasonic waves reflect from the reflecting medium to contact an internal surface of the wound.

37. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 36, wherein positioning the transducer in the vicinity of the wound comprises substantially encircling the wound by the annularly-shaped operative surface.

38. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 36, wherein the reflecting medium comprises at least one of the following: a metallic plate, a gas filled pouch, a quasi-permanent insert, a contrast agent, bubbles in a gelatin, or an intravaneously injected substance.

39. (Previously Presented) A method for promoting healing of a wound comprising:

positioning on a first body surface an ultrasonic transducer having an operative surface in the vicinity of the wound;

emitting ultrasonic waves from the operative surface;

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directing at least some of the ultrasonic waves toward a reflecting medium inserted within the body capable of reflecting ultrasonic waves; and
reflecting at least some of the emitted ultrasonic waves off of the reflecting medium and toward the wound such that at least some of the reflected ultrasonic waves contact the wound to promote healing thereof.

40. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 39, wherein the reflecting medium comprises at least one of the following: a metallic plate, a gas filled pouch, a quasi-permanent insert, a contrast agent, bubbles in a gelatin, or an intravaneously injected substance.